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An extraordinary Inſtance of filial Piety. From the Expedition of Humphrey Clinker. *By Doctor* Smollet.

Mr. MELFORD *to Sir* WATKIN PHILLIPS.

WE ſet out from Glaſgow by the Way of Lanerk, the County Town of Clydeſdale, in the Neighbourhood of which the whole River Clyde, ruſhing down a ſteep Rock, forms a very noble and ſtupendous Caſcade. Next Day we were obliged to halt in a ſmall Borough until the Carriage, which had received ſome Damage, ſhould be repaired; and here we met with an Incident which warmly intereſted the benevolent Spirit of Mr. Bramble. As we ſtood at the Window of an Inn that fronted the publick Priſon, a Perſon arrived on Horſeback, genteelly, though plainly, dreſſed in a blue Frock, with his own Hair cut ſhort, and a Gold laced Hat upon his Head. Alighting, and giving his Horſe to the Landlord, he advanced to an old Man who was at Work in paving the Street, and accoſted him in theſe Words: "This is hard Work for ſuch an old Man as you." So ſaying he took the Inſtrument out of his Hand, and began to thump the Pavement. After a few Strokes, "Have you never a Son, ſaid he, to eaſe you of this Labour?" "Yes, and pleaſe your Honour, replied the Senior, I have three hopeful Lads, but at preſent they are out of the Way." "Honour not me, cried the Stranger, it more becomes me to honour your gray Hairs. Where are thoſe Sons you talk of?" The ancient Paviour ſaid his eldeſt Son was a Captain in the Eaſt Indies, and the youngeſt had lately enliſted as a Soldier, in Hopes of proſpering like his Brother. The Gentleman deſiring to know what was become of the ſecond, he wiped his Eyes, and owned he had taken upon him his old Father's Debts, for which he was now in the Priſon hard by.

The Traveller made three quick Steps towards the Jail, then turning ſhort, "Tell me, ſaid he, has that unnatural Captain ſent you Nothing to relieve your Diſtreſſes?" Call him not unnatural, replied the other; God's Bleſſing be upon him! he ſent me a great Deal of Money, but I made a bad Uſe of it; I loſt it by being Security for a Gentleman that was my Landlord, and was ſtripped of all I had in the World beſides." At that Inſtant a young Man, thruſting out his Head and Neck between two Iron Bars in the Priſon Window, exclaimed, "Father! Father! if my Brother William is in Life, that's he!" "I am! I am! cried the Stranger, claſping the old Man in his Arms, and ſhedding a Flood of Tears. I am your Son Willy, ſure enough!" Before the Father, who was quite confounded, could make any Return to this Tenderneſs, a decent old Woman, bolting out from the Door of a poor Habitation, cried, "Where is my Bairn, where is my dear Willy?" The Captain no ſooner beheld her than he quitted his Father, and ran into her Embrace.

I can aſſure you my Uncle, who ſaw and heard every Thing that paſſed, was as much moved as any one of the Parties concerned in this pathetick Recognition; he ſobbed and wept, and clapped his Hands, and hollowed, and finally ran down into the Street. By this Time the Captain had retired with his Parents, and all the Inhabitants of the Place were aſſembled at the Door. Mr. Bramble, nevertheleſs, preſſed through the Crowd, and entering the Houſe, "Captain, ſaid he, I beg the Favour of your Acquaintance; I would have travelled a Hundred Miles to ſee this affecting Scene, and I ſhall think myſelf happy if you and your Parents will dine with me at the Publick Houſe." The Captain thanked him for his kind Invitation, which he ſaid he would accept with Pleaſure; but, in the mean Time, he could not think of eating or drinking while his poor Brother was in Trouble. He forthwith depoſited a Sum equal to the Debt in the Hands of the Magiſtrate, who ventured to ſet his Brother at Liberty without farther Proceſs; and then the whole Family repaired to the Inn with my Uncle, attended by the Crowd, the Individuals of which ſhook their Townſman by the Hand, while he returned their Careſſes without the leaſt Sign of Pride or Affectation.

This honeſt Favourite of Fortune, whoſe Name was Brown, told my Uncle that he had been bred a Weaver, and about eighteen Years ago had, from a Spirit of Idleneſs and Diſſipation, enliſted as a Soldier in the Service of the Eaſt India Company; that, in the Courſe of Duty, he had the good Fortune to attract the Notice and Approbation of Lord Clive, who preferred him from one Step to another till he attained the Rank of Captain and Paymaſter to the Regiment, in which Capacities he had honeſtly amaſſed above twelve Thouſand Pounds, and at the Peace reſigned his Commiſſion. He had ſent ſeveral Remittances to his Father, who received the firſt only, conſiſting of one Hundred Pounds; the ſecond had fallen into the Hands of a Bankrupt, and the third had been conſigned to a Gentleman of Scotland, who died before it arrived, ſo that it ſtill remained to be accounted for by his Executors. He now preſented the old Man with fifty Pounds for his preſent Occaſions, over and above Bank Notes for one Hundred which he had depoſited for his Brother's Releaſe. He brought along with him a Deed ready executed, by which he ſettled a Perpetuity of fourſcore Pounds upon his Parents, to be inherited by their other two Sons after their Deceaſe. He promiſed to purchaſe a Commiſſion for his youngeſt Brother, to take the other as his own Partner in a Manufacture which he intended to ſet up, to give Employment and Bread to the induſtrious, and to give five Hundred Pounds, by Way of Dower, to his Siſter, who had married a Farmer in low Circumſtances. Finally, he gave fifty Pounds to the Poor of the Town where he was born, and feaſted all the Inhabitants without Exception.

My Uncle was ſo charmed with the Character of Captain Brown that he drank his Health three Times ſucceſſively at Dinner. He ſaid he was proud of his Acquaintance; that he was an Honour to his Country, and had in ſome Meaſure redeemed human Nature from the Reproach of Pride, Selfiſhneſs, and Ingratitude. For my Part, I was as much pleaſed with the Modeſty as with the filial Virtue of this honeſt Soldier, who aſſumed no Merit from his Succeſs, and ſaid very little of his own Tranſactions, though the Anſwers he made to our Inquiries were equally ſenſible and laconick. Mrs. Tabitha behaved very graciouſly to him until ſhe underſtood that he was going to make a Tender of his Hand to a Perſon of low Eſtate, who had been his Sweetheart while he worked as a Journeyman Weaver. Our Aunt was no ſooner made acquainted with this Deſign than ſhe ſtarched up her Behaviour with a double Proportion of Reſerve, and when the Company broke up ſhe obſerved, with a Toſs of her Noſe, that Brown was a civil Fellow enough, conſidering the Lowneſs of his Origin; but that Fortune, though ſhe had mended his Circumſtances, was incapable to raiſe his Ideas, which were ſtill humble and plebeian.

The unheard of Cruelty of a Father. A true Story, tranſlated from the Arabick *of* Adjaaib Mouaſer, *an Eaſtern Hiſterian.*

A MERCHANT, by Name Kebal, had married a young, rich, and amiable Wife. Though the Mohammedan Law authoriſes Polygamy, this imperious Wife would divide neither the Heart nor Bed of her Huſband. Kebal, of few aſpiring Views, having ſubjected himſelf to the matrimonial Yoke, contracted an habitual Dread of his Wife, to whom he was indebted for his Fortune; and his Timidity induced him even to renounce, in her Favour, the Privilege allowed him by the Law, having ſworn to her an inviolable Fidelity. At a Diſtance from his Wife, he ſoon forgot the Oath and Proteſtations he had made to her.

The Buſineſs of his Traffick having obliged him to take a Journey, he was ſmitten with the Charms of a young Slave, whom he purchaſed for five Hundred Sequins. At nine Months End the Slave brought forth a Child, whoſe Birth, far from giving Joy to the Father, filled him with terrible Apprehenſions.

Kebal, who wanted to keep Peace at home, made no Difficulty of ſecuring it by a Crime. His Wife, whom he had forgot in the Heat of tumultuous Paſſion, then occurred to his Mind, and the Fear of a jealous Woman made him diveſt himſelf of every Sentiment of Humanity. He began by ſacrificing to his Quiet the unfortunate Object of his Amours. After deſtroying the Mother, the ſame Intention was reſolved on for the Son; but the Voice of Nature made itſelf to be heard within him, in Spite of his horrid Purpoſe, and ſtopped ſhort his Arm. To keep himſelf from ſhedding his own Blood, he at length thought it adviſable to take the Child with him into a Deſert, perſuaded that the innocent Victim would ſoon periſh in it; but Providence, that watched over the Preſervation of his Life, conducted a Shepherd to the Place where he was expoſed. His Beauty, his Cries, his forlorn State, moved the Heart of the poor Shepherd to pity his Diſtreſs, and he carried him to his Hut. His Wife, as compaſſionate as himſelf, very willingly took upon her the Care of the Child, and aſſigned him a ſhe Goat for his wet Nurſe. He was already four Years old, when Kebal, on a Journey, halted in the Village where this Shepherd lived, and took up his Lodging with him. He took Notice of his Son, whom he was far from knowing; but whether he was ſtruck with the Child's Beauty, or whether Nature ſpoke to him in his Favour, he felt ſtrong Emotions at Sight of him, and aſked the Shepherd if he was his Father.

How great was Kebal's Surpriſe when the Shepherd related to him how he had found the Child! It was his own Son; he could not help knowing him to be ſuch, by the Circumſtances of Time and Place, but to the Sympathy that firſt affected him ſoon ſucceeded Sentiments of violent Hatred; yet, diſſembling, he pretended that the Child's Charms were very engaging to him, and preſſed the Shepherd to ſell him, offering fifty Sequins for him.

The Shepherd's Poverty, his Friendſhip for the Child, and the Certainty of his being more happy in the Hands of a rich Man than his own, induced him to conſent to the Propoſal. He was far from ſuſpecting the Deſign that had been already meditated againſt him.

Kebal had him no ſooner at his Diſpoſal than he hurried away, and took him to the Sea Shore. There the Beauty of this young Child, his Innocence, his tender Endearments, his Cries, his Tears, Nothing could bend the atrocious Soul of Kebal. He ſeizes his Son, ſews him up in a Bag of Leather, and caſts him into the Sea, ſure that now he would not eſcape Death. But propitious Heaven had otherwiſe ordered it; the Bag gave immediately into the Nets of a Fiſherman, who fortunately hauled him out that very Inſtant.

The aſtoniſhed Fiſherman opens the Bag, and ſeeing in it a Child, who ſtill could breathe a little, ſuſpended it by the Feet, and after bringing it to Life carried it to his Cottage. Kebal's Son was deſtined to find every Where ſenſible Hearts, except that of his barbarous Father.

The Fiſherman brought him up in his Profeſſion, and the Lad diſtinguiſhed himſelf in it by equal Dexterity and Intrepidity. He was already arrived at the Age of fifteen Years, when Kebal, who took frequent Journies to promote the Concerns of his Commerce, paſſed through the Town where the young Man lived. He met him with the Fiſherman that had ſaved his Life, and both were loaded with Baſkets of Fiſh, which they ſold about the Streets. The young Man's pleaſing Aſpect attracted Kebal's Attention, and, to have an Opportunity of knowing who he was, he bought ſome of the Fiſherman's Fiſh. Afterwards, aſking him if he that followed was his Son, the Fiſherman anſwered that he was not his Father, and related to him in what Manner he found him in his Nets ſown up in a Bag.

Kebal, knowing him to be his Son, could not imagine how he had eſcaped a Death which he thought to be inevitable. Enraged at ſeeing the ill Succeſs of ſo many Crimes, he reſolved to concert better his Meaſures. He offered five Hundred Sequins to the Fiſherman, as Purchaſe Money for his Servant; and the Bargain was ſoon concluded.

Kebal, without making himſelf known to his Son, kept him to do Buſineſs for him as his Slave. His ſweet Temper, his Fidelity, Nothing could touch that cruel Father, who was ſtill more and more bent on his Deſtruction.

Two Years had now elapſed ſince his Son had ſerved him with an unexampled Zeal, when he put into his Hands a ſealed up Letter. "Set out, ſaid he to him, for Bagdad; you will there find my Daughter, and deliver to her this Letter; I recommend you to her Care. Remain with her till my Return; I ſhall ſoon follow you."

The young Man obeyed Kebal, and immediately went on his Way. Arrived at Bagdad, he inquired after his Maſter's Houſe, and knocked at the Door of that which was ſhown him to be his. Kebal's Daughter chanced to open it, and ſaw a young Man, more beautiful than Love itſelf, that delivered to her a Letter on the Part of her Father. Impatient, ſhe opens it; but how great was the Horrour ſhe was ſeized with in reading theſe Words: "The Bearer of this Letter is my greateſt Enemy; I ſend him to you that you may procure him to be aſſaſſinated; I require from you this Proof of your Tenderneſs."

Kebal's Daughter, far from reſembling her Father, was remarkable for Singleneſs of Heart, and a very humane Diſpoſition. Conſidering more attentively the Letter Carrier, ſhe could not help loving him; and Love ſuggeſted to her a Means of ſaving the Life of him who in a Moment was become ſo dear to her, and of ſeeking with him an Union that was to laſt for Life. Having ordered the young Man to wait for a ſhort While, ſhe wrote, counterfeiting her Father's Hand Writing, another Letter, conceived in theſe Words: He who ſhall deliver to you this Letter is dearer to me than my own Son could be; conſider him as myſelf; confide to him the Management of all my Buſineſs, and ſee him married directly to my Daughter Melahie."

Having wrote this Letter, ſhe ſealed it. Stepping afterwards into the Room where ſhe had left the young Man, "You are miſtaken, ſaid ſhe, the Letter you gave me was for my Mother; I will ſhow you to her Apartment." Young Kebal preſented the Letter to the Mother, who having read it, and not doubting it was from her Huſband, executed the Orders he had given her, and had the young Man married to her Daughter.

In the mean Time, Kebal, having ſettled all the Buſineſs he had to tranſact, ſet out on his Return to Bagdad. Nothing could equal his Aſtoniſhment, when, coming home, he found his Son quite alive and joyous. His Surpriſe was ſtill greater when he learned that he was become his Son in Law. All theſe Events appeared to him incredible, but the Fear of diſcovering his Iniquities made him loth to have the Affair cleared up to him; he therefore thought it beſt to diſſemble, and diſguiſe, under the Appearances of Friendſhip, the mortal Hatred he ſtill bore his innocent Son. Melahie, his Daughter, was not the Dupe of this deceitful Tranquillity. Her Tenderneſs, alarmed for the Safety of a dear Huſband, made her pry into every Device and Deſign of her Father.

Kebal, ſome Time after his Arrival, gave a Sheep to his Domeſticks, with ſeveral Pitchers of Wine, "Make merry, ſaid he, this Night, and celebrate my happy Return into my Country; but I require of you the doing me a good Piece of Service. A ſecret Enemy has a Deſign on my Life; this Night I will inveigle him into my Houſe; about the fourth Hour of the Night he will go down the Stairs leading from my Apartment; as ſoon as ye hear him, ſtab him to Death in the Dark."

At the fixed Hour Kebal deſired his Son to go into the Yard where his Domeſticks were, and to bring one of them to him. He was juſt going to ſtep down the fatal Stairs, when his Wife, who had ſtrong Suſpicions of Something intended againſt him, ſtopped and beſeeched him not to execute a Commiſſion in which ſhe perceived ſome Myſtery; and, ſo ſaying, pulled him along with her.

In the mean Time, Kebal was agitated by a Diverſity of Paſſions. Half an Hour was gone without his having any Intelligence of the Succeſs of his Perfidy; and, impatient to know in Perſon if his Domeſticks had gratified his Revenge, as he paſſed down quickly, thoſe who were charged to execute his Orders, and who till then had heard no One ſtir, not doubting but it was their Victim, fell upon and maſſacred him in the Dark. Such was the well merited End of this barbarous Father. He to whom he had given Life, and from whom he had ſeveral Times attempted to rob Life, inherited all his Subſtance. As his Birth was a Myſtery to himſelf, he lived compoſed and tranquil with his Wife, and never knew that ſhe was his Siſter.

The Eaſtern Hiſtorian concludes this Narrative by an Arabian Proverb: "He that digs a Pit for his Brother falls himſelf into it."

The Ceremony of taking the VEIL at Rome.

THIS Morning I went to the Convent of St. Urſula, to ſee a Nun take the Veil. The Company was very numerous, and compoſed chiefly of the firſt People of Rome, who were all in full Dreſs. I was placed cloſe to the Altar, where I could ſee the whole Ceremony, and hear every Word that was uttered. The Service was begun by ſaying Maſs; then Cardinal de Roſſi entered in great State, while the Organ was playing, and the Maſs was ſinging; the Muſick, both vocal and inſtrumental, was performed by the Nuns and Ladies of the Convent, who were placed in the Organ Gallery. The Compoſition was pretty, but ill executed; the Organ was a bad One, and too powerful for the Band; moſt of the beſt Hands, as I was informed, were occupied in the Convent with the internal Ceremony, the external was all performed in the Chapel.

When the Cardinal was robed the Noviciate was led into the Chapel by a Lady of the firſt Rank in Rome, and brought to the Altar in exceeding high Dreſs. Her Hair was of a beautiful light brown, and curled *en Tête de Mouton* all over her Head. Her Gown was of the richeſt embroidered, and, I believe, emboſſed blue and Silver, I ever ſaw. She had on a large Stage Hoop, and a great Quantity of Diamonds; the Train of her Robe dragged full two Yards on the Ground; ſhe ſeemed rather a pretty Sort of young Perſon than a Beauty. When ſhe firſt appeared ſhe looked very pale, and more dead than alive; ſhe made a moſt profound Reverence to the Cardinal, who was ſeated on the Steps of the Altar, in his Mitre and all his rich Veſtments, ready to receive her. She threw herſelf upon her Knees at the Foot of the Altar, and remained in that Poſture ſome Time, while other Parts of the Ceremony were adjuſting; then ſhe walked up to the Cardinal, who ſaid, *Figlia mia, che domandate?* My Child, what is your Requeſt? She ſaid that ſhe begged to be admitted into that Convent as a Siſter of the Order of St. Urſula. Have you well, ſaid the Cardinal, conſidered of what you aſk? She anſwered, cheerfully, that ſhe had, and was well informed of all ſhe was about to do. Then ſhe kneeled down again, and kiſſed the Cardinal's Hands, and received from him a little Crucifix, which ſhe alſo kiſſed; after which ſhe retired again to the Foot of the Altar, where ſhe threw herſelf on her Knees while the Cardinal ſaid Maſs, which was ſung at the ſame Time in the Organ Loft. After this there was a Sermon in the Italian Language, and that being over the Cardinal led the Nun elect into the Convent, where ſhe was diveſted of all her gorgeous Attire and worldly Vanities, and had her Hair cut off. She then came to the Gate in her religious Dreſs, to receive the white Veil, with which ſhe was inveſted by the Lady Abbeſs, the Cardinal and the other Aſſiſtants ſtanding by.

After this there was more pretty Muſick badly performed; the Organ, by executing all the Symphonies and Accompaniments, overpowered the Violins, and had a bad Effect, though neatly played.

When her Veil was on, her new Siſter came to the Convent Door to receive the Congratulations of her Friends and of the Company; but firſt, with a lighted Taper in her Hand, ſhe went round the Convent to ſalute all the Nuns, who had likewiſe Tapers in their Hands. When ſhe was at the Door, with the Veil and Crown on, but her Face uncovered, I, among the reſt, went cloſe to her, and found ſhe was much prettier than I had before imagined. She had a ſweet Mouth, and the fineſt Teeth in the World, with lively ſparkling Eyes, and a genteel ſhaped Viſage; ſhe would, any Where elſe, have been ſtiled a very pretty Woman, but here, ſo circumſtanced, a Beauty. At the Altar ſhe changed Countenance ſeveral Times, firſt pale, then red, and ſeemed to pant, and to be in Danger of either burſting into Tears or fainting; but ſhe recovered before the Ceremony was ended, and at the Convent Door aſſumed an Air of great Cheerfulneſs, talked to ſeveral of her Friends and Acquaintance, and ſeemed to give up the World very heroically. And thus ended this human Sacrifice!

PARIS, *September* 13.

ON the 4th of this Month the Parliament of Bourdeaux was ſuppreſſed, and a new One created. About the ſame Time the old Parliament of Toulouſe was diſſolved, and fifty five of its Members ſent into Baniſhment. Their Seats are replaced by new Ones.

CADIZ, *Auguſt* 28. A Letter received from Mogador (in the Kingdom of Morocco) dated the 9th of June, gives the following Detail. A Man, who pretended to be inſpired, entered the City of Morocco at the Head of about ſix Thouſand Fanaticks, armed with Clubs, who killed and pillaged the Houſes of the Jews, and thoſe of ſome of the richeſt Moors. The Populace were beginning to join them, in the Name of the Holy Prophet; but the principal Inhabitants repairing to the Palace of the Emperour, to demand his Succour, that Monarch, finding them ſo numerous, thought proper to temporize, being fearful, if he attempted Force againſt them at firſt, he ſhould hazard a general Revolt; and taking Advantage of a ſhort Calm among them, after their firſt Outrages, the Emperour informed the People that the Perſon at the Head of the Band could never be inſpired from Heaven, as Nothing had been done by him or his Followers but the greateſt Acts of Cruelty and Rapine. In the mean Time he cauſed the Revolters to be ſurrounded by his Troops; many of the leaſt criminal were ſuffered to eſcape, ſome others were ſeized, and the Ringleader was put to Death. Some Troops have ſince been ſent into the Provinces, to calm the Sedition which had been raiſed there.

VIENNA, *September* 7. All the Troops which form the Camp at Peſt in Hungary will decamp about the 16th Inſtant. A Detachment of twenty Thouſand of them is to be ſent to reinforce the Line of Troops upon the Frontiers of Poland.

LEGHORN, *September* 4. Yeſterday an Engliſh Packet arrived here, with two Ruſſian Frigates from Paros. They brought Letters dated the 1ſt of Auguſt, by which we find that the Admirals Spiritow and Ariff were at the ſaid Iſland, as likewiſe Count Orlow, who was returned thither without meeting the Turkiſh Fleet, which is not yet ſailed out of the Dardanelles. Thus the Accounts we had ſome Time ago of a Sea Fight in the Haven of Modon are not confirmed.

LONDON, *September* 23.

THE Queen is ſo exceedingly fond of her Children, that ſhe ſpends very little Time out out of their Company; and his Majeſty, we are aſſured, lately told her it would be difficult to determine whether ſhe was moſt expert in the Duties of a Tutor or a Nurſe.

Friday laſt, a little after one o'Clock, the Princeſs Dowager of Wales was ſeen in her Coach with Lord Manſfield driving before her, at a very great Rate, towards Canewood, which has been the Occaſion of much political Speculation.

On Saturday four Men were employed in making a new Shore from Hay Hill, in Albemarle Street, to communicate with the main Shore in Old Bond Street, when the Earth ſuddenly fell in upon them; by which Accident two were killed on the Spot, and the two others were ſo much bruiſed that their Recovery is doubtful.

Letters from Dublin mention that a certain theatrical Performer there, having ſome Words with one of the Carpenters on the Stage during the Time of Rehearſal, ſuddenly knocked him over the Orcheſtra, and the Man falling upon the Spikes, was ſo terribly wounded that he died ſoon after. The Offender was ſecured, and committed to Jail.

Yeſterday arrived a Mail from Liſbon, brought by the Hanover Packet Boat, Captain Todd, after a Paſſage of fourteen Days from Liſbon to Falmouth. She brings Advice that the Venus, Captain Balfour, which had on Board the Duke of Glouceſter, and the Alarm Man of War, Captain Jarvis, both from Portſmouth, arrived at Liſbon the 29th of Auguſt laſt, all well on Board.

Letters from Gibraltar mention that a Daniſh Squadron in the Mediterranean, as ſoon as Intelligence was received that a Daniſh Merchant Ship was taken by the Algerines and carried into Algiers, ſailed for that Place, and demanded a Reſtitution of the Ship and Cargo, on Refuſal of which they threatened to bombard the Town and reduce it to Aſhes; that theſe Threats had the deſired Effect, the Ship was reſtored, and the Cargo, which had been confiſcated, was paid for. The Letters farther ſay, that theſe Pirates had many armed Veſſels lying there ready to put to Sea.

At a very numerous Meeting of the Livery yeſterday Evening at the Half Moon Tavern, Cheapſide, Deputy Cockſedge in the Chair, the Buſineſs of the Meeting was proceeded upon. The preſent Lord Mayor was put in Nomination, and had a great Majority of Hands in his Favour; then followed Meſſieurs Aldermen Bridgen, Trecothick, Townſend, Sawbridge, Banks, Peers, Nath, Halifax, Shakeſpear, Eſdaile, and Kennet. Mr. Alderman Townſend had a pretty Show of Hands, as that Gentleman is in ſome Eſteem with the Livery, and it is not doubted but he will make a good chief Magiſtrate in a future Time; but the Majority of the Company was greatly in Favour of the preſent Lord Mayor, and Mr. Alderman Sawbridge, to be returned to the Court of Aldermen for their Choice of Lord Mayor for the Year enſuing. Several ſpirited Motions were made in Favour of the Conſtitution, which was almoſt unanimouſly agreed to; and before the Company broke up they agreed to ſupport their Country's Cauſe againſt any miniſterial Alderman, and all their inefficacious Threats.

The Princeſs Dowager of Wales has taken a Houſe on Kew Green for the Uſe of her Royal Highneſs's old and infirm Servants, where they are ſupported by her Royal Highneſs's Bounty.

Mr. Horne is indefatigable in his Attempts to ſeduce the Livery to vote for Alderman Townſend, in Order that Lord Shelburne may get Poſſeſſion of the City.

Though young Reynard has not a Seat at a certain Board, we are aſſured, from very good Authority, that he is frequently ſummoned thither when any important Matters are on the Tapis.

Laſt Week the Niece of a noble Duke, who has a conſiderable Fortune in her own Diſpoſal, went off to France with a Halfpay Lieutenant, though ſhe previouſly knew he was a married Man.

They write from Stockholm, of the 3d of this Month, that the King having taken into Conſideration the Complaints of the People concerning the Dearneſs of Proviſions, and being deſirous to remedy that Evil, had cauſed the Bread to be weighed in his Preſence. They add, that though the publick Altercations ſtill continue with great Vivacity, and Unity ſtill ſeems to be at a great Diſtance, yet all zealous Patriots confide in the King's Wiſdom, whoſe paternal Care for the Welfare of his Country and Subjects manifeſts itſelf daily upon every Occaſion.

They write from Paris, of the 13th of this Month, that the Dutcheſs de la Rochefoucault, whoſe Revenues amounted to a Hundred and thirty Thouſand Livres, died there the 9th, in the twenty third Year of her Age. She had a fall from her Horſe, as ſhe was hunting, which fractured her Skull; and though ſhe was trepanned, ſhe expired immediately after the Operation.

Extract of a Letter from Lemberg, *in* Poland, *September* 1.

"Clemency is one of the King's moſt eminent Qualities, which Mr. Mianczynſki has experienced in a ſtriking Manner. Although this Confederate had rendered himſelf unworthy of it, by having been the firſt who, with his Body of Troops, had depoſited at the Grod of Oſwiezim the Declaration of the pretended Vacancy of the Throne, and he afterwards fell into the Hands of the Ruſſians, who conducted him Priſoner to Klow, yet his Majeſty has been graciouſly pleaſed to intereſt himſelf in his Behalf, and by his Interceſſion to obtain his Liberty."

A Letter from Paris obſerves, "that it is very true that a great Number of Jeſuits appear in our Streets in the Habit of their Order; this is perhaps what gave Riſe to the Report that has prevailed for ſome Days paſt, that ſeveral Individuals of that Society were to return to one of the principal Colleges they poſſeſſed before their Expulſion."

A Correſpondent, who has ſeen and approved of Mr. Moore's late Invention in broad wheeled Carriages, obſerves, that he does not at all wonder at the Publick not readily adopting ſuch an obvious Improvement in Mechanicks, when ſo late as the Reign of James the firſt it was with great Difficulty the Natives of Ireland could be perſuaded to give over that barbarous and ignorant Practice of ploughing the Ground with no other Harneſs than their Horſes Tails.

We hear that the Wheat and Barley are now pretty well ſecured; and we are aſſured, from every Part of the Country, that the Crops are remarkably fine. Even the Farmers themſelves allow they have not known a more plentiful Harveſt for many Years. Our Accounts from Devonſhire, Dorſetſhire, and all the Weſt, are equally pleaſing.

Lord Chatham, ſpeaking of the Struggle likely to be in the City for the Office of Lord Mayor, declared that Mr. Wilkes acted very imprudently to make his Deſigns ſo publick. "He is ſo eager (ſaid this great Man) to engroſs all the Employments to his own Circle, that his true Motives cannot remain long concealed; and the Moment the Livery diſcover that he is only labouring to make himſelf their Maſter, they will ſee their Independency as much in Danger from him as it is from an abandoned Adminiſtration."

Neither Merit nor Application (ſays a Correſpondent) in any publick Office, are now neceſſary to gain the Favour of the Citizens of London; ſince the Man who has already diſgraced their Choice, and neglected his Duty moſt notoriouſly, is ſelected a ſecond Time for the Chair, and forgiven all his former Delinquency, merely becauſe he ſeems calculated to ſerve the Purpoſes of Faction.

It is idle (ſays the ſame Correſpondent) to talk of Independency in the City of London; the Livery, who would never ſuffer even Princes to dictate to them, are now the veriеſt Tools that can be imagined, and yet fancy they are taking the beſt Means of ſecuring their Freedom, when they are only executing the Mandates of an inſolent Club at the London Tavern.

It is pleaſant enough (ſays a Correſpondent) that the greateſt Advocate for the Independency of America is willing to make America ſubordinate where the Subordination is likely to anſwer his own Purpoſes. Formerly one of the Complaints made by Mr. Otis, of Boſton, was the Independence of the American Law Courts on the Juriſdictions of England; yet in his late Proſecution of Mr. Robinſon, who caned him for Miſbehaviour, the Patriot Otis having recovered *only* two Thouſand Pounds Damages, he removes the Cauſe by Appeal to the Mother Country, and ſupplicates Favour from the very Tribunal which he has for Years been treating with the groſſeſt Scurrility.

From the exceſſive Damages given in Mr. Otis's Caſe (ſays the ſame Correſpondent) at Boſton (two Thouſand Pounds Sterling being ſcarcely ever granted before for a mere Aſſault) the Impatience of the Boſtonians may be eaſily diſcovered under the juſt Supremacy of the Mother Country. Mr. Robinſon was a Commiſſioner of the Cuſtoms at Boſton, and diſtinguiſhed himſelf remarkably by his ſpirited Endeavours to enforce the commercial Laws of England. This Conduct, though highly meritorious on our Side of the Atlantick, made him generally obnoxious to the *Babes of Grace* in New England; in Conſequence of which Mr. Otis, it has been aſſerted, publickly inſulted him, and Mr. Robinſon chaſtiſed the Inſolence as publickly, in the Coffeehouſe. To qualify the Diſgrace of their Leader, under ſuch a Caſtigation, the Saints gave out that Mr. Robinſon was aſſiſted by others in belabouring poor Otis. The contrary, however, was the Fact, as appears by the Publications of the Period. Mr. Robinſon *only* ſtruck Mr. Otis; but ſeveral, in the Courſe of the Scuffle, ſtruck Mr. Robinſon. It is generally imagined, that, upon a Hearing of the Matter before an impartial Judicature, the mere Circumſtance of Exceſs in the Damages will be a ſufficient Ground to annul the whole Proceedings. The Inadequacy of the Offence to the Fine proclaims how much Prejudice operated in the Verdict; and the *Moderation* of the Plaintiff may be eaſily determined, who appeals to this Kingdom *for another* Thouſand Pounds.

By a Gentleman arrived in Town from Bengal, we are informed that a very handſome Yorkſhire Girl, who arrived there in 1769, in the Character of a female Fortune Hunter, had ſucceeded ſo well as to captivate a Black Trader, eſteemed worth ſeven Hundred Thouſand Rupees, who made her his Wife, and ſettled his whole Fortune upon her.

Mrs. B——y, the Actreſs, has lately been at Paris, where ſhe attracted the Notice and captivated the Hearts of ſeveral diſtinguiſhed Monſieurs, nor were thoſe of the moſt elevated Station excluded from ſharing that Anxiety which her Charms are known to excite. She had ſome very extraordinary Offers made if ſhe would ſtay in that Kingdom, but declined the Acceptance of them; on which Account, it is probable, London and ſhe will ſoon be viſited by ſome of the above Heroes. Mrs. A——n, the Actreſs, is alſo juſt returned from Paris, where ſhe has been about a Month.

Friday laſt the Reverend Mr. Horne came to the Seſſions Houſe in the Old Bailey to give Evidence againſt a Pickpocket, and ſat on the Bench near the Aldermen. Soon after Mr. Alderman Wilkes came into Court, and paſſed him; but they took no Notice of each other, and Mr. Wilkes ſoon left the Court.

The virulent and unjuſt Abuſe daily propagated againſt the publick and private Character of a great Perſonage calls to Mind what a celebrated female Hiſtorian is ſaid to have thrown out in a Company of Republicans, who were treating the Royal Character with great Freedom and Levity: "I am (ſaid ſhe) as much for a Republick as any of you, but whilſt you have a King treat him like a *Gentleman*."

Letters from Aleppo, dated June 18th, ſay: "The News of the taking of Damas, by the Troops of Aly Bey, hath ſpread the greateſt Conſternation here. The rich Jews are particularly affected, and the more ſo as they know that the new Sultan of Egypt is no Friend to their Nation. A Dutch Ship is hired to carry forty Jews, with their Effects, to Leghorn."

They write from Rome, of the 10th of Auguſt, that the Pope has taken a Year to determine the Fate of the Jeſuits; they add, that, at the repeated Inſtances of the Courts of Verſailles and Madrid, that Society will certainly, ſooner or later, be ſuppreſſed.

They write from Scotland, that at Irwin, while one Donaldſon, a labouring Man, who had been deaf upwards of twenty Years, was at Work in the Fields, he was ſtruck to the Ground by a Flaſh of Lightning; but ſoon after recovering, he found, to his great Surpriſe, that he was reſtored to his Hearing.

The Preteniions of Dudley and Britain to diſcover the Author of the Fire at Portſmouth, ſays a Correſpondent, require the ſtricteſt Examination, as they are probably the mere Invention of thoſe Perſons, in Order to impoſe upon and miſlead the Credulous; a Practice that was attended with terrible Conſequences to many worthy Characters in that infamous Era of pretended Plots, the Reign of Charles the ſecond.

September 6. The late Conſultations of the Cabinet have, it is ſaid, turned upon the Propriety of eſtabliſhing the Settlement ſo much talked of on the Miſſiſippi, as the Spaniards have threatened to interrupt us in the lawful Act of peopling our own Territories.

It is ſaid that Lord Holland's Accounts are to be laid before Parliament the approaching Seſſion *by himſelf*, as he is to come over to England for that Purpoſe.

It is ſaid that Mr. Dudley is ordered to make out a written Account of the Particulars relating to ſetting Portſmouth Dock on Fire, which is to be ſubmitted to the Inſpection of the Lords of the Admiralty, previous to his perſonal Examination before their Lordſhips.

Wedneſday the Depoſitions taken before the Lord Mayor, on the Examination of Dudley, relating to the Fire at Portſmouth Dock, were ſent to the Secretaries of State for their Peruſal.

ST. JAMES's *September* 20. I ſend you a Copy of a Letter I have received from Mr. Dudley, which I think merits a Place in your Paper. I am very well acquainted with the Gentleman; his Extravagancies have brought him to experience the Conſequence of not liſtening to the Advice of a Father, who, though a Gentleman of a very genteel Fortune, is willing to puniſh his Son in Order that he may know the Value of what he is to inherit. He is nearly related to a certain unpopular Earl; his Brother in Law is a Member of the Iriſh Parliament; and himſelf, though wild, is endowed with a great Deal of good Senſe.

Berwick *Street*, Soho, *Tueſday Afternoon*.

"Dear Sir,

"There are ſome Paragraphs in the daily Papers which intimate that the Secretaries of State are backward in bringing the Affair of Portſmouth Dock to Light. This Aſſertion is falſe, and certainly invented by an Enemy to the Welfare of this Nation; there is no Perſon who is a better Judge than I am, there not being One, I believe, at preſent in the Kingdom, acquainted with the Particulars of the Plot but myſelf. Their Proceedings, in every Reſpect, ſhowed their Deſire of bringing the Delinquents to Juſtice, which as yet have proved ineffectual. I was, agreeable to my Requeſt, ſent down to Portſmouth, Plymouth, &c. to apprehend the Perſons; but they were fled, in Conſequence of my Diſcovery being made ſo publick. From whence it tranſpired I cannot ſay, but my Intelligence was a Secret till I had the Honour of attending at the Lord Mayor's, ſince which I leave you to judge the Noiſe it has made in the Kingdom. You may imagine I write thus being biaſſed by either Fear or Hope of obtaining Money from the Miniſtry; if you form any Idea of the Kind, you are wrong. In the firſt Place, I am not to be awed by any Perſon in the Kingdom, let his Rank be what it will. As for my Expectation of receiving any Compliment from Government, I have none; nor is there any Reaſon I ſhould. It is true I have given ſuch Cautions to Perſons in Power as I think highly neceſſary to be obſerved, and every Means is taken to prevent a Repetition of ſuch another Scheme being carried into Execution. I muſt inform you it was four Frenchmen and two Iriſh Prieſts who ſet Fire to the Storehouſes, but the Plan was laid by an Iriſh Gentleman in the French Service; they are all, I believe, by this Time, ſafe in France. If there had been proper Steps taken they might have been apprehended in Auguſt laſt, as they were at that Time on ſuch another Scheme in Plymouth. It was not the Secretary of State's Fault, I can aſſure you; I was moſtly the Occaſion of their Eſcape, not being explicit enough till it was too publick. Moſt of your publick Intelligence concerning this Affair is falſe; if you honour me with a Viſit I ſhall acquaint you with the Particulars of the Whole, and ſhall have no Objection to having it made publick, there not being an Action of my Life I fear being known. I expect to ſettle my Affairs ſoon; you are too well acquainted with my Connections to think my Dependence is on this Affair; I expect Nothing from it but a contented Mind, in having done my Duty to my Sovereign. I am, dear Sir, your's moſt ſincerely,

DUDLEY.

EDINBURGH, *Auguſt* 21. We hear from Fort William that on Sunday the 11th Inſtant the notorious Thief and Deſerter Donald Dow M'Phail was apprehended, about the Mines of Strontian, by a Son of Mr. Cameron, who is employed by Government for ſuppreſſing of Theft in the Highlands of Scotland. This is the moſt famous Thief that has been known in Scotland for a long Time paſt; he diſplayed the utmoſt Ingenuity in his Acts of Theft and Deſertion, in ſecreting himſelf, and avoiding the moſt ſanguine Purſuits of the Officers of the Law and Government. He has been apprehended many Times formerly by Mr. Cameron, and has as often made his Eſcape, in which he diſplayed equal Ingenuity. He particularly, at one Time, broke Inverary Jail, after every Precaution had been uſed to ſecure him; at another Time he eſcaped in the Black Mount, by Speed of Foot, from twelve Men and a Serjeant of the twenty fifth Regiment, notwithſtanding his Hands were bound with Iron. When laſt apprehended, and after being taken and diſarmed by Mr. Cameron, and two of his Servants, he had near made his Eſcape by the Aſſiſtance of a Parcel of Women, who attacked and mobbed them; and after he was delivered to a Party of the Military at Strontian, and every Method uſed to ſecure him, pinioning him, tying his Wriſts, &c. on their Way to Fort William he found Means to get rid of every Encumbrance and made his Eſcape; upon which he was fired at by the Party, and wounded, but afterwards ran a conſiderable Way, till, being quite worn out, he was apprehended by Mr. Cameron and the Serjeant, who have brought him to Fort William, where he now lies with one of his Arms broke in two Places, and a Quantity of ſmall Shot in his hinder Parts. It is however thought he will recover, and live to be made a publick Example of.

September 13. For this Fortnight paſt we have had the moſt agreeable Harveſt Weather that could be wiſhed for; we hear that great Part of the Grain in the three Lothians is cut down, and Part of it gathered in. The Moorland Crops this Year are remarkably good, and it is expected they will begin cutting down in a few Days.

There is now living at Dalmenie, ſeven Miles from this City, a poor Woman, aged ſixty ſeven Years, who has been tapped fourteen Times for the Dropſy within theſe thirteen Months. In theſe ſeveral Operations, no leſs than two Hundred and forty four Scotch Pints (or one Hundred and twenty two Gallons Engliſh) of Water, have been taken from her; between the Operations, which is once a Month, ſhe enjoys tolerable Health, and is able to work a little for her Subſiſtence.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 28.

WE have received an Account of the following Elections:——For *William & Mary* College, Mr. JOHN PAGE, Junior.—For *Yorkſhire*, Mr. CHAMPION TRAVIS.—For *Surry*, Mr. HARTWELL COCKE, and Mr. ALLEN COCKE.—For *New Kent*, Mr. BURWELL BASSETT, and Mr. BARTHOLOMEW DANDRIDGE.—For *King and Queen*, Mr. JOHN TAYLOE CORBIN, and Mr. GEORGE BROOKE.—For *King William*, Mr. WILLIAM AYLETT, and Mr. PHILIP WHITEHEAD CLAIBORNE.—For *Spotſylvania*, Mr. GEORGE STUBBLEFIELD, and Mr. MANN PAGE, Junior.

The Lyon, Captain Gooſley, in the Intereſt of John Norton, Eſquire, and Son, is ſafe arrived at the Port of London.

The Greenvale, ——, from Ayr, is arrived in York River.

To Meſſ. PURDIE & DIXON.

GENTLEMEN, NANSEMOND, *November* 10, 1771.

Below is a Converſation I heard, on the firſt of this Month, between two Brothers in North Carolina *on the Subject of* PAPER MONEY, *intended to be emitted by their next Aſſembly. Perhaps you may think it worthy a Place in your Paper. I am,* A FRIEND to that PROVINCE.

A. WELL, Brother, you are going to Newbern; how do you expect the Publick will pay their Debt incurred by the Expedition againſt the Regulators?

B. There is no Way can be thought of but that of making Paper Money, as uſual. I want to have two Hundred Thouſand Pounds of it made; it will be an eaſy Matter to find Pretences for ſo large an Emiſſion, by which Means Men of viſible Fortunes will be made eaſy as to their Debts; They can all borrow of the Treaſurers, on giving Security, with Intereſt; and there are ſo many of us want Money, it will be an eaſy Matter to poſtpone their being called to an Account, if Money ſhould run ſhort with them. Beſides, there is a Certainty that Exchange on Bills, and the Price of all Kinds of hard Money, will riſe by it. I have laid up five Hundred Dollars to pay the two Hundred Pounds I owe our Uncle's Son, againſt the Time he comes of Age, and I doubt not but I ſhall change four Hundred of them by and by at ten Shillings each, which will pay the Debt, by which I ſhall ſave one Hundred Dollars. There is another Thing, that Debt of four Hundred Pounds which I owe the Store, I ſhall ſave two Hundred Dollars in the Payment of it; and leſt the Merchants, or others, ſhould refuſe to take our new Paper Money in Diſcharge of Debts, I want a Law made by which every Creditor who refuſes it ſhall be obliged to take Lands, or even Button, Pine Logs, &c. at whatever Price they may be valued at, and not to have them at two Thirds of the Value, as formerly.

A. O fie, Brother; are theſe the Reſolutions you have entered into? Or have you only ſpoke what you think will be the Sentiments of a Majority of your Houſe of Aſſembly? I ſhould be ſorry to be convinced of the firſt; let me never have Cauſe to harbour a Thought by which my Brother muſt appear to me ſo contemptible, both for the Errours of his Head and Heart. I hope the Majority of your Houſe of Aſſembly are too honeſt to make a Law that would be ſo injurious to Individuals, and ſo deſtructive of publick Faith. There cannot be an honeſt Pretence given for making any Paper Money at this Time. Was it not clear, beyond a Doubt, that there were forty Thouſand Pounds due to the Publick, by the different Collectors of publick Money, at the laſt Aſſembly? A great Part of this has been collected ſince laſt Seſſion, for in the Frontier Counties large Collections have been made. Beſides, are not the Lands of the outlawed Regulators to be ſold to pay Part of the Expenſe? That Sum will perhaps not be ſufficient to pay off the preſent Debts of the Publick; but would it not be better to give Bonds to ſuch publick Creditors as cannot be paid now by the Money in the continent Fund, ſigned by the Governour, Preſident, and Speaker, in the Preſence of the whole Aſſembly, payable at ſuch Times as it may be found the Treaſurers will be in Caſh for that Purpoſe, and to bear Intereſt from the Date till paid? Theſe Bonds would be taken by every Perſon who has Money of Orphans in his Hands, and by every Perſon who lends Money out on Intereſt, as by them they would have the publick Security for Principal and Intereſt, without the Riſk of Inſolvency, and litigious Suits againſt Principals and Securities. The Tax for ſinking our preſent Paper Money will, in a very little Time, ſink the Whole. Let that Tax be continued to pay theſe Bonds; the publick Tax will not be increaſed. The Expenſe of Commiſſions to the Signers of Paper Money, and to the Treaſurers for paying it away, will be ſaved, and Counterfeits will be eaſily detected; for if any Attempts ſhould be made to counterfeit theſe Bonds, as they will be payable to the publick Creditor, his Heirs or Aſſigns, the Endorſations will immediately detect them. The deſigning Villain of a Guardian, who would cheat his Orphan under a Sanction of Law, will be diſappointed in his Intention, and other Creditors will be paid their juſt Debts, in Money of the ſame Value with that they paid, or dealt for, and not at a Loſs of twenty five per Cent. by which they and their Families would be ruined, and every honeſt and fair Trader obliged to leave the Province; for though you might pay him in your depreciated Currency, yet he will be obliged to pay his Debts due to People in other Countries in your Currency, *ad valorem*, to the Currency of the Country where the Debt is due. What Aſſembly of honeſt Men could lay their Hands on their Hearts, and be guilty of ſuch an Act of Injuſtice as that of enabling the villainous Debtor, after litigating his juſt Debts for Years in Courts of Law, to pay them off at four Fifths of the Value; or coolly, and without Horrour, deprive the innocent Orphan of a Fifth of his Eſtate? Such an Emiſſion as you talk of would certainly have that Effect. I have heard of a Law obliging Creditors to take the Goods of their Debtors, at two Thirds of a certain Valuation, whether merchantable or unmerchantable, and whether on navigable Water or not; but I have no Doubt, when the Aſſembly are informed how many Creditors have been ruined by the Partiality of Valuers, and Villainy of Debtors, who have ſcreened themſelves for Years from the Payment of this juſt Debts, under the Sanction of Law, they will repeal it and every other of ſo deſtructive a Nature, and will conſider themſelves in their legiſlative Capacity (whatever their own private Circumſtances may be) as the Repreſentatives of every honeſt Creditor as well as Debtor.

B. My dear Brother, what I told you as my Intentions were rather what I underſtand are thoſe of ſome of the leading Members in our Aſſembly, who have more Influence there than I could wiſh, and whoſe Principles are as bad as I have repreſented mine to be. But how can we juſtify the giving Int reſt on Paper Money?

A. I know you have Men in your Aſſembly capable of any Kind of Villainy, and that they are Men who have plauſible, though futile Reaſons, to urge in Favour of every dirty Action of their Lives, and who have acquired Influence with unthinking Members. But as to Intereſt, does not Juſtice, does not Equity, and every other generous Paſſion, upbraid the Man's Conſcience who can refuſe to pay legal Intereſt to his Creditor for the Forbearance of his Debt, and can an Aſſembly be guilty of doing, in a publick Capacity, what, in a private One, they muſt bluſh for with conſcious Shame? No, ſays he but Half-honeſt Member, let us be honeſt in a publick Capacity, though we are not in a private One; for by the firſt we ſhall reflect Honour on the Province, at but a ſmall Expenſe to ourſelves, though by the laſt we might ruin ourſelves as well as Poſterity.

A CARD.

MR. Henley preſents his moſt reſpectful Compliments to the *American* at *Foothill*, is exceedingly oblired to him for his dry forty Shilling Treat, and hopes to be indulged with a Repetition of the Favour.

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THE Subſcriber, reſiding at *Goſport*, being appointed a NOTARY PUBLICK, will be obliged to thoſe who favour him with notarial Affairs to negotiate, and they may depend that their Buſineſs will be done with Accuracy and Deſpatch and on moderate Terms. 4 THOMAS M'CULLOCH.

To the PUBLICK,

THE Subſcriber having ſtudied and practiſed MIDWIFRY for ſome Time paſt, with Succeſs, under the Direction, and with the Approbation, of Doctors *Poſteur* and *Galt*, flatters herſelf ſhe will meet with Encouragement, as Nothing will be ſpared to complete her in the Knowledge of an Art ſo eminently neceſſary to the Good of Mankind. Ladies, and others, are therefore deſired to take Notice that they will be waited upon on the ſhorteſt Warning, by their humble Servant,

MARY ROSE.

M. EVANS,

LATELY arrived from *London*, at her Store the Corner of *Church* Street, *Norfolk*, takes this Method of acquainting the Publick that ſhe WASHES BLOND LACE, and GAUZE, equal to new; likewiſe WASHES and MENDS SILK STOCKINGS in the niceſt Manner Thoſe Ladies and Gentlemen who pleaſe to honour her with their Commands may depend on having the greateſt Attention paid to their Orders, as it ſhall be her Study to merit a Continuance of their Favours, by her being particularly careful to give Satisfaction.

N. B. Any Country Orders ſhall be ſpeedily executed.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 28, 1771.

TAKEN out of my Stable about the 8th of this Inſtant, a ſmall light gray HORSE about ten or twelve Years old, four Feet three or four Inches high, with a roached Mane pretty much grown out, a Switch Tail, and trots and gallops but indifferently; his Brand, if any, is forgot. Whoever will bring him to me, or give me Intelligence where he is, ſhall be allowed whatever may be thought reaſonable.

3 RICHARD DAVIS.

A QUANTITY of Mens and Womens SADDLES, BRIDLES, and HUNTING WHIPS, lately imported in the *Tibby*, to be sold to the highest Bidders, for ready Money, on *Friday* the 20th of *December*, at publick Sale, at the Subscriber's Store in *King* and *Queen*, for the Benefit of the Underwriters.

1‖ SPENCER BOYD.

VIRGINIA, *ſc.*

At a General Court held at the Capitol *October* 14, 1771.

James Agar, Eſquire, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, Plaintiff, againſt *Lewis Burwell Martin*, of the ſaid Kingdom, and *William Harriſon*, Defendants, } In Chancery.

THE Defendant *Martin* being beyond Sea, and not having entered his Appearance according to the Rule of this Court, on the Motion of the Plaintiff, it is ordered that the other Defendant, who hath Effects of the ſaid *Martin* in his Hands, as is ſuggeſted, do not pay, convey away, or ſecrete ſuch Effects, except purſuant to former Decrees againſt him, until the farther Order or Decree of this Court concerning the ſame; but that he deliver up ſuch Effects, or ſo much thereof as will be of Value ſufficient to ſatisfy the Demand of the Plaintiff, unto the ſaid Plaintiff, upon his giving Security to the Clerk of this Court for the Return of ſuch Effects, in ſuch Manner, and to ſuch Perſons, as the Court ſhall hereafter adjudge. And it is farther ordered, that the ſaid Defendant (*Lewis Burwell*) do appear here on the firſt Day of the next Court, to anſwer the Bill of the Plaintiff; and that a Copy of this Order be, within fifteen Days, inſerted in the VIRGINIA GAZETTE, for two Months ſucceſſively, and publiſhed on ſome Lord's Day, immediately after divine Service, in the Pariſh of *St. Anne*, in the County of *Albemarle*, and poſted up at the front Door of the Capitol, in the City of *Williamſburg*.

BEN: WALLER.

To be SOLD *at* Fredericksburg, *on* Monday *the 13th of* January, *if fair, otherwiſe next fair Day*,

ABOUT forty valuable *Virginia* born SLAVES, conſiſting of young Fellows, breeding Wenches, and Children. Credit will be allowed till the 10th of next *May*, on giving Bond, with good Security, to *John Wayles*, Eſquire, and the Subſcriber. Thoſe who do not diſcharge their Bonds immediately when due are to pay Intereſt from the Day of Purchaſe. 2 THOMAS LOMAX.

To be SOLD *to the higheſt Bidder, on* Tueſday *the* 10th *of* December, *and to continue till all are ſold*,

A TRACT of LAND containing about two Hundred Acres, on *Rappahannock* River, about two Miles above *Falmouth*, whereon are two Merchant Mills, one of them in good Repair, with ſeveral convenient Houſes; alſo ſundry Negroes and Mulattoes, Horſes, Cattle, Waggons, Houſhold Furniture, a good Collection of Books, and ſeveral LOTS in the Town of *Falmouth*. Credit will be allowed till the 25th of *October* next; the Purchaſers to give Bond, with approved Security, to

ALEXANDER WODROW,
2‖ Surviving Partner of *Wodrow & Neilſon*.

To be SOLD *to the higheſt Bidder, on* Thurſday *the* 12th *of* December, *at the late Dwellinghouſe of* James Holloway, *deceaſed, in* Prince George,

ALL the perſonal Eſtate of the ſaid *James Holloway*, conſiſting of a Variety of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, and a large Stock of CATTLE, among which are three Yoke of Oxen, Horſes, Hogs, and Sheep, Crops of Corn and Fodder, the Plantation Utenſils, and many other Articles. Six Months Credit will be allowed the Purchaſers, on giving Bond and good Security.——At the ſame Time and Place will be hired ſeveral likely SLAVES, conſiſting of Men, Women, Boys, and Girls; alſo to be rented, for a Term of Years, a Plantation in good Order for Cropping, with convenient Outhouſes.

JOHN POYTHRESS, }
1 HAMILTON JONES, } Executors.

To be SOLD *to the higheſt Bidder, purſuant to the laſt Will and Teſtament of* Lewis Davis, *deceaſed, on the Premiſes, on* Friday *the* 13th *of* December,

TWO Hundred Acres of LAND on the River *Nottoway*, about four Miles from the Mouth of the ſaid River, and about Half a Mile from a Landing adjoining the Land of Mr. *Richard Williams*, in *Nanſemond*. It is well wooded and watered, and a good Herring Fiſhery may be cleared thereon. There is a Plantation on the Premiſes, with a ſmall Dwellinghouſe, ſeveral Outhouſes, and Apple and Peach Orchards. The Time of Payment will be agreed on at the Sale, and Bond and Security will be required.

NICHOLAS MAGET, Executor.

To be LET *by the Subſcribers, at* Rocky Ridge, *on* Monday *the 2d of* December, *to the loweſt Bidder*,

THE BUILDING of a STOREHOUSE forty four Feet by twenty two, ten Feet Pitch, with a Cellar ſeven Feet deep under the whole Houſe, a Brick Chimney at one End, and a Compter, *&c.* alſo a DWELLINGHOUSE thirty Feet by eighteen, twelve Feet Pitch, with one Chimney, and a Cellar eight Feet, the Length of the whole Houſe. Theſe Buildings are to be done by the firſt of *September*, and finiſhed in a Workman-like Manner. The Undertaker will be furniſhed with Caſh to carry on the Works, and when they are done ſhall receive full Payment. We will furniſh him with Nails, Locks, Hinges, Glaſs, Putty, Paint, and Oil, at Wholeſale Advance.

1 ALEXANDER & PETERFIELD TRENT.

GEORGE III. by the Grace of GOD of *Great Britain, France*, and *Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, *&c.* to the Sheriff of *Northumberland* County, greeting: We command you that you ſummon *Robert Gordon*, Adminiſtrator, *&c.* of *Robert Weddrop*, deceaſed, *John Weddrop*, his Brother and Heir, both of *Great Britain*, Merchants, and *Thomas Reid*, to appear before our Juſtices of our General Court, in Chancery, at the Capitol in *Williamſburg*, on the firſt Day of the next Court, to anſwer a Bill in Chancery exhibited againſt them by *James M'Call*, of *Great Britain*, Merchant, and this they ſhall in no Wiſe omit, under the Penalty of a Hundred Pounds each; and have then there this Writ. Witneſs JOHN Earl of DUNMORE, our Lieutenant and Governour General, at *Williamſburg*, the 5th Day of *November*, in the eleventh Year of our Reign.

BEN: WALLER.

COMMITTED to *Iſle* of *Wight* Jail, a Negro Fellow who ſays his Name is JACK, ſpeaks bad *Engliſh*, and either cannot or will not tell his Maſter's Name; he is a ſmall black Fellow, appears to be about twenty Years of Age, and has on very ragged Clothes. The Owner is deſired to prove his Property, take him away, and pay Charges to JOHN TAYLOR, Jailer.

TAKEN up, in *Albemarle*, a light ſorrel MARE about four Feet five or ſix Inches high, with a hanging Mane and long Tail, ſome Saddle Spots, a remarkable ſwayed Back, and branded on the near ſhoulder I 8. Poſted, and appraiſed to forty Shillings. ‖ MATTHEW MAURY.

TAKEN up, in *Cheſterfield*, a black HORSE about four Feet five Inches high, with a Bob Tail and roached Mane, and branded on the near Buttock WE in a Piece. Poſted, and appraiſed to ſix Pounds.

WILLIAM ELAM, Senior.

TAKEN up, in *Buckingham*, a bay HORSE about fourteen Hands high, thirteen or fourteen Years old, and branded on the Shoulder and Buttock SS. Poſted, and appraiſed to four Pounds ten Shillings.

‖ ALEXANDER DALE, Junior.

TAKEN up, in *Auguſta*, three MARES, namely, a black, a dark bay, and a Hip-ſhotten one of a blackiſh Colour; the firſt is branded W M, the ſecond W C, and the third T A. They are poſted, and appraiſed to eleven Pounds ten Shillings.

‖ ALEXANDER DALE.

CABIN POINT, *November* 12, 1771.

AS it is out of the Power of the *Cabin Point* Inſpectors to collect the Money that ariſes from ſhipping Tobacco, it is deſired of all Perſons to ſend the Money with their Notes, or their Tobacco will not be delivered.

‖ PUTNEY & HOWARD.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 21, 1771.

ALL Perſons who are indebted to the Eſtate of *John Blair*, Eſquire, late of this City, deceaſed, are deſired to make ſpeedy Payment, and thereby enable us to ſatisfy the Demands againſt the Eſtate. We ſhall take it kind of all thoſe who have any Claims, whether ariſing on Contracts made by the Teſtator on his own Account, or as Security for others, if they would make them immediately known to

JOHN BLAIR, }
JAMES BLAIR, } Executors.

RUN away, a likely Negro Woman called SALL COOPER, belonging to the Eſtate of *John Blair*, Eſquire, deceaſed, between twenty and thirty Years of Age, and has loſt the firſt Joint of the Finger next the little Finger of her left Hand. As ſhe has been for ſome Time paſt much in the Company of a white Man, who is lately gone to *Norfolk*, ſhe is probably lurking in that Place. Whoever will deliver her to us in *Williamſburg* ſhall receive FORTY SHILLINGS, beſides all reaſonable Expenſes.

JOHN BLAIR.
JAMES BLAIR.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 18, 1771.

WHEREAS the Shop lately kept by Mr. *Andrew Anderſon*, in this City, is become the ſole Property of the Subſcriber, as alſo the Debts due to the ſaid Shop, I do hereby give Notice that all Balances which remain unpaid by the laſt Day of next *December* will have Suits commenced againſt them, without Reſpect of Perſons, or any farther Notice. I have added the above mentioned Shop to my own, which is kept by Mr. *James Ruſſell*, the ſame Perſon that kept the other; where all Gentlemen, Practitioners and others, may be ſupplied at the ſame low Rates, for ready Money only.

JAMES CARTER.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 21, 1771.

PURSUANT to the laſt Will of our deceaſed Father, we purpoſe, on the 11th Day of next Month, to ſell to the higheſt Bidder four Tenements near the Church, in the ſaid City, and another adjoining the Lot of the late Mrs. *Blaikley*, on the South. There are Tenants in all of them at preſent, but we will deliver them to the Purchaſers at *Chriſtmas* next, except one of the ſaid four, which Mr. *John Holt* is to poſſeſs till the 22d Day of next *July*. Alſo, on the 5th Day of the ſame Month, we intend to ſell, at *Hanover* Court, a Tract of Land in that County containing one Thouſand ſeven Hundred and fifty Acres, commonly called *Brewer's*, having been formerly occupied by a Man of that Name. The Credit to be allowed the Purchaſers, and other Conditions, will be particularly mentioned at the Sales.

JOHN BLAIR, }
JAMES BLAIR, } Executors.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 21, 1771.

THE Truſtees, not thinking it proper to proceed on the Sale of Colonel *Philip Johnſon*'s Land, near this City, on the 31ſt of *October* laſt, according to their former Advertiſement, without an exact Survey of the valuable Tract called *Tutty's* Neck, and having the Land contiguous to the Town laid out in ſmall Parcels, now give Notice that they intend to ſell thoſe Lands on *Thurſday* the 10th of *December*, at four o'Clock in the Afternoon, before Mr. *Southall's* Door; when the Plan of the Survey and Diviſion will be ſhown to any who are inclined to buy. The Purchaſers will be allowed two years Credit; and it is expected they are to give Bonds, with unexceptionable Securities, which are to carry Intereſt from the Time they bear Date.

PEYTON RANDOLPH,
RO. C. NICHOLAS,
LEWIS BURWELL,
PHILIP W. CLAIBORNE. } Truſtees.

To be SOLD, *on the 9th of* January *next, at* New Kent *Courthouſe*,

THE LAND whereon *Richard Terrell*, deceaſed, lately lived, near the Courthouſe, containing about thirteen or fourteen Hundred Acres; the Land will be laid off in Lots. Credit will be allowed to ſuit the Purchaſers, on giving Bond and Security to

FREDERICK HARRIS, }
ZACHARIAH LEWIS, } Executors.
GARRET MINOR, }

To be SOLD, *very cheap*,

TWO LOTS, or Half Acres of Ground, on the main Street in *Fredericksburg*, whereon is a genteel well built Brick Houſe; likewiſe a LOT on the River, near the former, where Veſſels of large Burthen may lie cloſe to the Shore. Inquire of Mr. *Roger Dixon* in *Fredericksburg*, or the Subſcriber at *William* and *Mary* College.

6 JOHN DIXON.

N. B. Credit will be allowed for Half the Purchaſe Money, on giving good Security, and paying Intereſt from the Date.

ON the 6th of this Inſtant *(November)* I took up, near the Mouth of *Occahannock* Creek, in the County of *Northampton*, a new SCHOONER, not quite rigged, about fifteen Hundred Buſhels Burthen. She was overſet, and I was obliged to cut away her Maſts to right her. She is much wrecked, and it is doubtful whether the Hull can be ſaved. I have taken off her Rigging, and have ſaved her Anchors and Cables. It appears, by ſome Papers found in the Veſſel, that the Captain's Name was *Joſeph Gale*. The Owner may be informed of the whole Affair by applying to me, in *Northampton*.

WILLIAM MAJOR.

ON the 5th of *December*, on the Premiſes, will be rented to the higheſt Bidder, for a Term of Years, or as then can be agreed on, the LAND and FERRY called *Booker's*, on *Staunton* River, in the County of *Halifax*. The Ferry alone is worth near a Hundred a Year, and a very profitable Ordinary might be erected, being one of the moſt publick Paſſages on that River. 2

To be SOLD *at the* Indianfields, *in* Charles City, *on* Friday *the 6th of* December,

ALL the perſonal Eſtate of Captain *Littlebury Hardyman*, deceaſed, conſiſting of Houſehold Goods and Furniture, Stocks of Horſes, Cattle, Hogs, and Sheep, a Chariot with Harneſs for ſix Horſes, and a ſingle Chair. Six Months Credit will be allowed, on giving Bond and Security. The Sale will begin at ten o'Clock, and continue from Day to Day till all is ſold.——All Perſons that have any Demands againſt the ſaid Eſtate are deſired to make them known, and thoſe who are indebted to make immediate Payment to

‖ WILLIAM GREEN MUNFORD, }
LITTLEBURY IRBY, } Executors.

To be SOLD *for ready Money, on* Monday *the 9th of* December, *at the late Manſion Houſe of Mr.* Drury Dunn, *deceaſed, in* Dinwiddie *County*,

ABOUT ſix or eight NEGROES, the Crops of *Indian* CORN and FODDER, PLANTATION TOOLS, HORSES, HOGS, and ſundry other perſonal Matters.——All Perſons indebted to that Eſtate, by Purchaſes at the former Sale, are deſired to make Payment on that Day, as their Bonds then become due, and no farther Indulgence can be given; and all Perſons that have any Demands againſt the Eſtate are deſired to make them then known, to the Adminiſtrators. 2‖

To be SOLD, *to the higheſt Bidder, on* Thurſday *the 28th of* December, *at* Suſſex *Courthouſe, being Court Day*,

A Valuable Tract of LAND, on *Nottaway* River, containing twelve Thouſand Acres, or thereabouts, well ſituated for making Corn, Wheat, and Tobacco. Twelve or eighteen Months Credit will be allowed, if required, for the greateſt Part of the Purchaſe Money, on giving Bond, with good Security, to

JOHN SYME.

COMMITTED to *Suſſex* Jail, on the 12th of this Inſtant *(November)* a *Mundingo* Negro Man who cannot, or will not, tell his Owner's Name; he is about five Feet ſix Inches high, clothed in Negro Cotton, has on an Oſnabrug Shirt, and ſays his Name is PETER. The Owner is deſired to prove his Property, pay Charges, and take him away. ‖ ROBERT OWEN, Jailer.

A JOURNEYMAN CARPENTER; that underſtands his Buſineſs perfectly, and comes well recommended, will meet with good Encouragement by applying to me, in *Newcaſtle*.

2‖ WILLIAM MARROW.

COMMITTED to the Jail of *Cheſterfield*, a tall ſlim Negro Man named CHARLES, who I have Reaſon to believe belongs to Captain *Francis Eppes* of *Amelia*; he has the cuſtomary Clothing of Plantation Negroes. The Owner is deſired to prove his Property, pay Charges, and take him away.

JAMES BALL, Jailer.

WHEREAS his Excellency the Earl of DUNMORE has been pleaſed to appoint me to act as Deputy Auditor, in the Room of the Honourable *John Blair*, Eſquire, deceaſed, I have therefore taken this Opportunity to requeſt the Favour of the ſeveral Sheriffs concerned to be punctual in making their annual Returns, and ſettling their Accounts; and I beg Leave to inform the ſaid Sheriffs that no partial Settlements will be admitted, and hope that the ſeveral Deputies who collect in each County will, for the future, attend together at the Office (which, till farther Notice is given, will be held at the uſual Place) that the Settlement of the reſpective Counties may be completed at the ſame Time.

EDWARD FOY.

NORFOLK, *November* 13, 1771.

A LAD of fifteen or ſixteen Years of Age, with a good Character, who has had a proper Education, is wanted as an Apprentice in the Buſineſs of Surgery, Pharmacy, *&c.* An Apprentice Fee will be expected. 4 RAMSAY & TAYLOR.

TREASURY OFFICE, *November* 13, 1771.

BEING informed that ſome Doubts prevail amongſt the Inſpectors and other Collectors of the Duties and Taxes, I have to inform them that the Taxes on Wills, Ordinary Licenſes, and Wheel Carriages, are continued till the 25th of *October* 1775. For each Hogſhead of Crop Tobacco there is to be paid three Shillings, and for every Hogſhead of Tranſfer five Shillings and Sixpence, *under the Tobacco Laws*. Beſides this there was an additional Duty of one Shilling and Sixpence a Hogſhead continued to the 25th of *October* laſt; and from *that Day, when the one and Sixpence Duty ceaſed*, the Inſpectors are to receive an additional Duty of three Shillings for each Hogſhead of Crop and Tranſfer till the 25th of *October* 1775; the Whole to be paid *before the Delivery of the Tobacco*, and the Accounts to be ſettled on or before the 10th of *November*, in each Year. It is hoped that this will be attended to without farther Notice, and that the utmoſt Punctuality will be obſerved in theſe and all other Tranſactions with the Treaſury.

I SHOULD BE GLAD TO EXCHANGE GOLD AND SILVER FOR ANY OF THE OLD TREASURY NOTES, AS WELL AS THOSE OF THE TEN THOUSAND POUNDS EMISSION IN 1770, ESPECIALLY SUCH AS ARE TATTERED OR DEFACED.

RO. C. NICHOLAS, Treaſurer.

To be RENTED *by the Year, or* LEASED *for a Term of Years, a Plantation on* HAMPTON *River known by the Name of*

LITTLE SCOTLAND,

containing about ſeventy Acres of fine rich LAND, a good DWELLING-HOUSE genteelly papered and wainſcotted, with three Rooms below, a Paſſage fourteen Feet wide, three Rooms and a Piazza above, and two Brick Cellars; alſo a KITCHEN, a WAREHOUSE with a Lodging Room above, a DAIRY, SMOKEHOUSE, STABLE, HENHOUSE, a fine ORCHARD of *Hughs's* Crabs, Peaches, Cherries, *&c.* and a large GARDEN well paled in. It is a delightful and healthy Situation, with pleaſant Proſpects of Land and Water, lies on an open View to *Hampton* Road, where all the Shipping to and from *James* River paſs within a few Miles, and Oyſters, Fiſh, and Wildfowl at the Door. Several WAREHOUSES, a WHARF, WATERING PLACE, and SOAP WORKS, to be let ſeparately, or altogether. BALFOUR & BARRAUD.

N. B. This is an excellent Place to remove to from the Freſhes in the Summer Months, either for Health or Pleaſure.——The Houſe and Garden may be had ſeparate.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 14, 1771.

JOURNEYMEN CABINET MAKERS, who underſtand their Buſineſs well, will meet with good Encouragement by applying to EDMUND DICKINSON.

THE Land belonging to *James Burwell*, in the County of ISLE of WIGHT, not being ſold on the 11th Inſtant (agreeable to a former Advertiſement) this is to give Notice that it will certainly be expoſed to Sale, on the Premiſes, on *Saturday* the 30th of this Month, if fair, otherwiſe next fair Day, and may be entered on the 1ſt Day of *January* next. Six Months Credit will allowed the Purchaſers from the Day of Entry, on giving Bond, with approved Security, to

LEWIS BURWELL, }
DUDLEY DIGGES, }
THOMAS NELSON, } Truſtees.
NATHANIEL BURWELL, }

NORFOLK, *November* 9, 1771.

ALL Perſons indebted to the Eſtates of Mr. *Robert Dalgliſh*, and Doctor *Alexander Dalgliſh*, late of the County of *Glouceſter*, are requeſted to make ſpeedy Payments; and thoſe who have any Demands againſt them are deſired to make them known. Attendance will be given by Mr. *David Kerr*, or myſelf, at the enſuing *December Glouceſter* Court, and Court of *Oyer* at *Williamſburg*, to collect the Debts; and all thoſe who then fail to make Payments may depend on being ſued, as there has already been a long Indulgence given.

ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL, Adminiſtrator.

PETERSBURG, *November* 10, 1771.

WHEREAS great Quantities of Tobacco, as well inſpected as uninſpected, floated down *James* River in the late great Freſh, many Hogſheads of which were ſecured by Perſons living on or near the River, who have not yet ſent any Account thereof to the Commiſſioners appointed to ſettle and ſtate an Account of the publick Loſs ſuſtained at that Time, it is requeſted of all Perſons who are in Poſſeſſion of ſuch Tobacco, or have paſſed and taken out Notes for any Part of it, that they will ſend an Account thereof to me, ſpecifying the Quantity taken up, how much has been ſaved, and the Marks (if any) which were upon the Hogſheads, in Order that their Proportion for Salvage may be aſcertained and paid, and the Reſidue applied according to the Directions of the Act of Aſſembly. By the Commiſſioners.

JERMAN BAKER.

IMPORTED from *London*, in the Ship *Juno*, Captain *M'Cunn*, and lodged with the Subſcribers, at *Portſmouth*, four Barrels of GUNPOWDER marked IM in a Piece, within a Diamond; alſo a Trunk marked B in a Diamond. The Owner may have them by applying to LOVE, MITCHELL, & Company.

WHEREAS ſeveral People want to purchaſe the convenient Half Acre Lots in the Town at *Rocky Ridge* Warehouſes, but are at a Loſs to find out the Proprietors, it is therefore requeſted of thoſe who hold Lots there, and incline to diſpoſe of them, to ſend their Names, and Numbers of the Lots, to Mr. *Patterſon* (Colonel *Byrd*'s Steward) and it is probable they may hear of Purchaſers.

FOUND by a Negro Boy, at *Burwell's* Ferry, a Piece of GOLD COIN, which the Owner may have on paying the Expenſe of this Advertiſement. SAMUEL COKE.

HAMPTON, *November* 10, 1771.

BENJAMIN BLAGROVE intends to leave the Colony ſoon. ‖

For SALE,

TWO Tracts of LAND on *Roanoke* River, in *North Carolina*, about twenty or thirty Miles below *Halifax* Town, each containing eight Hundred Acres. For Terms apply to Mr. *John Driver* in *Nanſemond*, or to the Subſcriber in *Auſtin*. ‖ EVERARD MEADE.

POETS CORNER.

WISDOM *and* HEALTH.

COME roseate Health, thy Temples bind
With thy celestial Wreath;
And thou, blest Wisdom, on my Mind
Thy choicest Odours breathe.
As dearest Friends together live,
Like them you pine apart;
Health gone, not Wisdom e'er can give
Pure Rapture to the Heart.
If Wisdom fly the youthful Breast,
Not smiling Health can gain
To it the cordial Balm of Rest,
A Mind exempt from Pain.
Come then, Twin Daughters of the Skies,
Here make your social Stay;
The Moment either from me flies,
Death snatch my Soul away.

HIS Majesty's Postmaster General having (for the better facilitating of Correspondence between *Great Britain* and *America*) been pleased to add a fifth Packet Boat to the Station between *Falmouth* and *New York*, Notice is hereby given that the Mail, for the future, will be closed, at the Post Office in *New York*, at twelve of the Clock at Night, on the first *Tuesday* in every Month, and despatched by a Packet, the next Day, for *Falmouth*.

By Command of the Deputy Postmaster General.
ALEXANDER COLDEN, Secretary.

To be SOLD,

A TRACT of LAND containing five Hundred and forty three Acres, on *Butterwood*, in *Amelia* County, formerly belonging to Mr. *Samuel Gordon*, of *Blandford*. The Land is good, and there are valuable Improvements on it. Also to be let on Lease, or sold, two LOTS in the Town of *Blandford*, on *Appomattax* River, at present in the Occupation of Mr. *Patrick Ramsay*, with a Storehouse, and every other necessary Building for a Merchant in considerable Business.——For Terms apply to
PETERSBURG, *November* 10. JERMAN BAKER.

To be LET *on* LEASE,

A VERY large and commodious HOUSE in the Town of *Petersburg*, built for a Tavern, and well fitted for that Business; it is two Stories high, has a Number of very convenient Lodging Rooms, and large and small Rooms for the Entertainment of Guests. Any Person qualified for the Business of a Tavern Keeper, with a proper Capital, may find this as advantageous a Situation as any on the Continent. Apply to the Subscriber, who lives on the Premises. THOMAS EGLETON.

RUN away from *Richmond*, about the Beginning of *September* last, a Mulatto Wench named JEMIMA, about sixteen Years of Age, remarkably well grown, has a large bushy Head, a flat Nose, a down Look, and a Scar upon one of her Arms. As she was brought up in *Williamsburg*, and has Relations upon *Queen's* Creek, it is probable she may be harboured thereabouts. Whoever apprehends the said Wench shall have TWO PISTOLES Reward, and Sixpence a Mile for conveying her to me at *Goochland* Courthouse, or to Mr. *Abraham Cowley* at *Richmond*. Tf DAVID ROSS.

TAKEN up, in *Amelia*, a small gray Mare about four Feet two Inches high, not branded. Posted, and appraised to fifty Shillings. THOMAS SIMMONS.

TAKEN up, in *Charlotte*, a bay HORSE about four Feet five or six Inches high, five or six Years old, with a white Spot over his right Ear, and two over his left, his near hind Foot white, some Saddle Spots, the Hair on his Forehead very long, trots altogether, and when he came to my House had a small Bell on, was hobbled with a Strap which appeared to be an old Stirrup Leather, and is branded on the near Shoulder W H in a Piece. Posted, and appraised to six Pounds ten Shillings.
JOHN FARMER.

TAKEN up, in *Amelia*, a bay HORSE about four Feet four Inches high, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, a Crop in one Ear, a Star in his Forehead, shod before, and branded on the near Shoulder [illegible] as near as can be made out. Posted, and appraised to six Pounds.
JESSE WALTON.

TAKEN up, in *Augusta*, a black MARE about three Years old, four Feet seven Inches high, with a Star in her Forehead. Posted, and appraised to seven Pounds. ARCHIBALD SMITHERS.

TAKEN up, in *Goochland*, a white HORSE about four Feet four Inches high, about fourteen or fifteen Years old, and branded on the near Shoulder ⊖. Posted, and appraised to five Pounds.
JOHN MIMS.

TAKEN up, in *Buckingham*, a red HEIFER marked with a Swallowfork and Underkeel in the right Ear, and a Crop and Hole in the left. Posted, and appraised to thirty Shillings.
JAMES BRISTWO.

TAKEN up, in *Bedford*, a black HORSE about six or seven Years old, four Feet seven or eight Inches high, a natural Pacer, with a Wart on his Breast, both hind Feet white, short Switch Tail, some Saddle Spots, and branded on the near Shoulder F G. Posted, and appraised to ten Pounds. JOSEPH TWEEDY.

TAKEN up, in *Dinwiddie*, a bay HORSE about four Feet five or six Inches high, with a Blaze in his Face, his near hind Foot white, and branded on the near Buttock with three Dots. Posted, and appraised to fifty Shillings. WILLIAM THOMLINSON.

TAKEN up, in *Hanover*, a young black STEER marked with a Half Crop in the right Ear, and an Underkeel in the left, a Star in his Forehead, some White on his Belly, and all his Feet white. Posted, and appraised to fifty Shillings. THOMAS RAILEY.

TAKEN up, in *Chesterfield*, a red pied STEER marked with a Swallowfork in both Ears, and remarkable wide Horns. Posted, and appraised to three Pounds. RALPH JACKSON, Junior.

TAKEN up, in *Charlotte*, a dark bay MARE about nine Years old, branded on the near Buttock 7, and on the off Buttock X, with a small Star in her Forehead, a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, and had a small Bell fixed on with a Leather Collar and Buckle. Posted, and appraised to seven Pounds ten Shillings.
RICHARD GAINES.

TAKEN up, in *Bedford*, a white MARE about four Feet five Inches high, about fourteen Years old, shod before, and branded on both Buttocks M. Posted, and appraised to four Pounds ten Shillings.
WILLIAM WAYLIE.

TAKEN up, in *Prince Edward*, a gray MARE about four Feet high, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, paces naturally, and branded on the near Buttock H L in a Piece. Posted, and appraised to thirty five Shillings. SAMUEL GRAHAM.

TAKEN up, in *Chesterfield*, a dun coloured HORSE about four Feet seven or eight Inches high, with a Star in his Forehead, a black Spot on his left Flank, and branded on the off Buttock with a Horse Shoe. Posted, and appraised to ten Pounds. MARY SOWELL.

RUN away from the Subscriber, in *Hanover* Town, about a Month ago, a likely Negro Fellow named POPE, about twenty seven Years of Age, five Feet eight Inches high, and much pitted with the Smallpox. As he is a very sensible Fellow, and has been used to go by Water, it is probable he may endeavour to pass for a Freeman, and make his Escape out of the Colony; I therefore forewarn all Masters of Vessels, and others, from receiving him on Board. Whoever will send him to me, or secure him so that I may get him, shall be handsomely rewarded. JOHN SMITH.

COMMITTED to *Suffolk* Jail, a Negro named JACK, who says he belongs to *Charles Clay*, of *Lunenburg*. He formerly belonged to Mr. *Thomas Gilchrist*, of *Suffolk*, and sold by Mr. *M'Donald* up *James* River. The Owner is desired to prove his Property, and pay Charges to WILLIAM GRANBERY, Jailer.

For SALE,

THE Ship *NEW INDUSTRY*, *William Miller* Master, now lying at *Portsmouth*, built at *Philadelphia* about eleven Months ago, with a Cedar Frame, fifty eight Feet Keel, twenty four Feet and a Half Beam, eleven Feet and a Half Hold, and four Feet and a Half between Decks, completely fitted for Sea. A Hundred Thousand white and red Oak HOGSHEAD STAVES, equal in Quality to the *Philadelphia* Staves, will be sold with the Ship. For Terms apply to INGLIS & LONG.

Who have for Sale LOAF, LUMP, and MUSCOVADO SUGAR, *West India* and Northward RUM, *Jamaica* SPIRIT, WHEAT FANS, a Parcel of double OIL FLINTS, MARBLE SLABS, a Pair of *Cologne* MILLSTONES, BOLTING CLOTHS, *Madeira* WINE of Vintage 1766, MOLOSSES, FLOWER, SHIP STUFF, and SHIP BREAD. 4

BALTIMORE Town (MARYLAND) *October* 10, 1771.

THE Subscriber takes this Method to inform the Publick that, for the Encouragement of bringing to Perfection the manufacturing of ALCALINE SALTS, and preparing them for the *European* Markets, in different Forms, namely, Potash, Pearl Ash, Cassoap, and marked off Ashes, he has provided himself with a large Quantity of Kettles, and other Iron Materials, which he has for Sale at present, at the County Wharf in the said Town, or at *George* Town, on *Potowmack* River (if ordered there) namely, two large Kettles weighing two Thousand three Hundred Pounds, with a Cooler, Damper, Ladle, and a Door and Door Frame, all of cast Iron, which make together a complete Set, and are sold for a Hundred and twenty Dollars. He has several of the above Sets to dispose of, which he warrants to be as good as any in *America* for carrying on the above mentioned Manufactory.

The Subscriber also instructs Persons to make good Potashes, in a very short Time, with the above Materials, for fifty Guineas; so that they cannot go wrong in any Part of the Process, and that they may make a Tun of Potash out of five Hundred Bushels of Ashes. He also will put the landed Gentlemen in a Method to make out of two Hundred and fifty Acres of good Woodland forty Tuns of Potash in the Course of a Year, with the Assistance of ten Men and two Horses. The Potashes will sell in *England* from thirty to thirty six Pounds Sterling a Tun. A House, and all other Materials for carrying on the Potash Manufactory (except the Iron as above mentioned) may be built in a Country Place for fifty Pounds Currency.——Any Gentleman in this Province, or on the Borders of *Virginia*, may be instructed in the above Branch by applying to
5 JAMES STEWART.

*** All Letters directed to *James Stewart*, in *Baltimore* Town, shall be punctually answered.

FALMOUTH, *October* 30, 1771.

THE Partnership of *William Love*, & Co. dissolves on the 1st of *January* next; at which Time will be sold, on the Premises, to the highest Bidder, the LOT and HOUSES whereon the Subscribers now keep Store. Three Months Credit will be allowed the Purchaser, on giving Bond, with approved Security, to
5 WILLIAM LOVE, & Co.

FREDERICKSBURG, *October* 29, 1771.

AT next *Culpeper* Court I shall be ready to treat with any Person for the Sale of two TAVERNS which I own in the Town of *Fairfax*, whereon are all necessary Outhouses and Conveniencies, one of which rents for forty five Pounds a Year, two Years yet to come, the other for fifteen Pounds a Year, five Years yet to come, and Business enough for both.

At the same Time I shall offer for Sale a Tract of LAND of about thirteen Hundred Acres, which lies on *Hedgman* River, in the County of *Culpeper*, a great Part of it very good, extending in a narrow Body near three Miles up and down the River.

Also a Tract of very good LAND, in the same County, which I had of Colonel *Gabriel Jones*, deceased, containing about four Hundred Acres, in fine Order for Farming, on which are valuable Buildings and Improvements, and is about thirty three Miles from *Fredericksburg*.

I will also sell the remaining Part of my *Pretty*'s Creek Tract, in *Albemarle* County, containing about two Thousand Acres, and great Part of it fine Land. Major *James Barbour*, of *Culpeper*, has Power to sell the same; and if it should not be sold before the 10th of *December* I propose to attend at my Quarters there from the 11th to the 15th of *December*, in Order to sell it.

I have about a Thousand Acres in *Orange* County, not far from Captain *Rowland Thomas*'s, which I will sell a great Bargain. Inquire of Mr. *Hugh Jones*, who lives not far from it.

For the Encouragement of Tradesmen and Manufacturers to settle in the Town of *Fairfax*, at *Culpeper* Courthouse, where they are much wanting, I will lease out twenty vacant Lots of Half an Acre each, in the said Town, on Ground Rents for twenty one Years, and will add to each Lot a five Acre Lot adjoining, or very near, the Town, at the moderate Rent of forty Shillings a Year, and as soon as a sufficient Number of Persons shall apply to me and subscribe to take the Number of Lots I propose to lease out. In Order to do them equal Justice, I shall so allot the Town and Country Lots as to make them as near of equal Value as possible, and have them numbered, and the Subscribers to draw for them; but if any Person should want any particular Town and Country Lot he must make a private Bargain with me for it, though I shall not make much Difference in the Rent. Timber of all Sorts is very convenient, and Carpenters easily to be procured. This Town is in the Centre of a very populous Neighbourhood, and surrounded with fertile Lands for many Miles; so that the Success of good industrious Artificers at this Place cannot fail.
4 ROGER DIXON.

NORFOLK, *November* 5, 1771.

THE Subscriber still continues to make the VENDUE and BROKERAGE, Business his whole Employment. He returns his most grateful Thanks to his Employers and Friends for their Favours heretofore received, and hopes for a Continuance of their Custom so long as they find him punctual, which was at first, and still is, his constant Endeavour to abide by.
Tf GEORGE KELLY.

RUN away from the Subscriber, in *Prince Edward*, some Time in *June* 1770, a Negro Lad named WINDSOR, who for several Years past has waited upon me, and is acquainted with most Parts of the Country. He is a sensible and artful Fellow, about five Feet high, a handsome lively Look, and speaks quick. He was taken up by Mr. *William Mitchell* of *York*, and committed to that Jail, at which time he called himself *William Florence*, and said he was free, and, by the Assistance of some other Negro imprisoned with him, broke the Prison. He has since been seen about *Williamsburg*, near which Place perhaps he is still concealed. He carried away with him a brown Holland Coat, blue Broadcloth Waistcoat, two white Linen Shirts, two Pair of Osnabrug Breeches, and good Shoes and Stockings. As I have Reason to apprehend he will endeavour to get on Board a Vessel, in Order to make his Escape out of the Colony, I do hereby forewarn all Masters and Commanders of Vessels from taking him on Board. I will give TWENTY POUNDS to any Person that will contrive him to me, and FIVE POUNDS for such Intelligence that I may get him.
Tf WILLIAM WATTS.

To be SOLD, *on the 5th of* December, *on the Premises, pursuant to the last Will and Testament of* Edward Booker, *deceased*,

A VALUABLE Tract of LAND in *Halifax* County, near *Booker's* Ferry, adjoining the south Side of *Staunton* River, whereon is a fine Plantation, and the low Ground equal to any in the Colony. One Hundred and fifty Pounds of the Purchase Money to be paid at the Day of Sale, and Credit allowed till the 10th of *June* next for the Remainder. Possession will be delivered on the Day of Sale, and a good Title made.
JOHN ESDALE, Administrator.

N. B. Also, at the same Time and Place, will be sold, all the Stock, Plantation Utensils, Fodder, and Corn, with sundry valuable Slaves; for which Credit will be allowed till the 10th of *June*. Bond, with approved Security, will be allowed for the above Articles and Land.

To be SOLD *altogether, or in Parcels*,

FOURTEEN Hundred Acres of valuable LAND at the upper Navigation on the north Side of *Meherrin* River, in *Hertford* County, *North Carolina*, where there is a publick Landing, an excellent Fishery, a Plantation on the River in good Order for Cropping, on which are a Hundred and fifty Thousand Corn Hills, three Hundred bearing Apple Trees, a small Peach Orchard, a good Dwellinghouse with two Brick Chimnies, a Kitchen with one, and several Barns and other convenient Buildings; also another Plantation about Half a Mile from the former, with thirty Thousand Corn Hills under a good Fence, a Hundred and fifty bearing Apple Trees, a small Peach Orchard, and a Dwellinghouse; and about two Miles from the River is another Plantation, with a Dwellinghouse and several small Improvements thereon. Great Part of the said Land is suitable for Tobacco, but almost the Whole is extraordinary Corn Land; it is well timbered, affords excellent Water in every Place, with a sufficient Stream for a Mill, and a fine Meadow may be made to each Plantation from the River; it is also very good for Cattle, and on the River famous for raising Hogs, as it affords extensive low Grounds. Negroes will be taken for the greatest Part, or the Whole. Any Person inclinable to purchase may know the Terms by applying to the Subscriber, on the Premises. 4 WILLIAM STEVENS.

NORFOLK, *October* 31, 1771.

THE Subscriber having provided convenient Warehouses for the Reception of Goods, purposes selling on Commission, either by private Sale or publick Vendue, and begs Leave to assure the Publick that his best Endeavours shall be used to dispose of any Goods given him for Sale to the most Advantage, and that they may expect the greatest Punctuality in the Payment of the Proceeds, being determined to continue the Business no longer than he finds he can do so; and, in Order to enable him to do this, he hopes every Person purchasing at any of his Sales will be punctual in their Payments, without which he must labour under Difficulties in supporting his own Credit. He has also opened an ENSURANCE OFFICE; any Orders from the Country for Ensurance will be as punctually complied with as if the Persons were present, the greatest Care taken to have good People to the Policies, and that they shall be sent by the first safe Conveyance. Gentlemen who do not regularly attend the General Courts, and Courts of *Oyer*, are requested to forward the Premiums with their Orders, as it is customary here to pay them at signing the Policies; those who attend the Courts may pay the Premiums there. 9 JAMES ARCHDEACON.

WILLIAMSBURG, *October* 15, 1771.

COMMITTED to the publick Jail, from *Buckingham*, Prison, a Negro Man named SHARPER, a likely well made Fellow, who seems to be about twenty two Years of Age, speaks broken *English*, and either cannot or will not tell his Owner's Name, or from what Part of the Colony he came. Whoever has a just Claim to him is desired to take him away and pay Charges.
12 PETER PELHAM, K. P. G.

NORFOLK, *September* 11, 1771.

I INTEND for *England* early in the Spring, and request all those who have any open Accounts on my Books to settle them. Bonds, or Cash, will be required from all indebted, and Payment made to those who have Balances in their Favour. I expect all Persons concerned will pay due Regard to this Advertisement, as all Accounts unsettled, after the first Day of *January* next, will be put in Suit.

My Business here, after that Time, will be transacted by *William Marsh* and *Richard Marshall*.
Tf JOHN GREENWOOD.

For SALE, *or to be* RENTED *for a Term of Years, and entered upon immediately*,

THE capital Prize drawn in the Honourable *William Byrd*'s Lottery, consisting of a DOUBLE FORGE and valuable GRISTMILL, with two Acres and a Half of LAND adjoining; also two Thousand Acres of exceeding good LAND, the farthest Part of which is not more than three Miles from the Works. The Land, &c. will be sold, or rented, with or without the Forge and Mill, and laid off in small Parcels to suit Purchasers. Long Credit (if required) will be allowed for greatest Part of the Money, Bond with approved Security being given.—I would have no Objection to dispose of one Moiety of the Whole, or the Stream with or without the Land, to a suitable Partner. It is capable of great Improvement, being situated in the Heart of a fine Wheat Country; and, at a small Expense, the Forge may be converted into a good Merchant Mill, which would manufacture a Hundred Thousand Bushels in a Season, besides the Advantage arising from the Gristmill, which is worth, at least, two Hundred Pounds a Year. The Terms will be made agreeable; and the Land and Works may be viewed, at any Time, by applying to Mr. *Richard Crump*, Merchant at *Rocky Ridge*.
HENRY MORSE.

*** The UTENSILS, and OLD IRON, belonging to the Forge, will be sold on reasonable Terms. Tf

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RUN away from the Subscriber, in *Lancaster*, on the 24th of *December* last, a Negro Man named WILL, about five Feet eight or nine Inches high, between thirty and forty Years of Age, but looks older than what he really is. He has been at Work in *Norfolk* for some Time past, and went by the Name of *William Moore*, as a Freeman. He is a very good Hostler and Gardener; and what may detect him sooner, he is very fond of Liquor, and when drunk very quarrelsome and saucy. Whoever will secure him in any Jail, and give me Intelligence so that I may get him again, shall have FIVE POUNDS, and if brought to me FIFTEEN POUNDS, paid on the Delivery of the Negro.
Tf JOHN WORMELEY.

AS I intend to remove up the Country next Fall, I would sell my Plantation in *King & Queen* County, which consists of six Hundred and fifty five Acres of LAND, pleasantly situated on *Mattapony* River, about six Miles above *West Point*, and has on it a very good neat convenient Brick House with two large Rooms, two Closets, and a Passage on a Floor, with good Cellars under it, two very pleasant Porticoes, one above and the other below Stairs, neatly finished, with Banisters and *India* Work, a very convenient Storehouse sixty Feet long, with two Floors and a Cellar, and all other Outhouses necessary, Garden, &c. in good Order. The Land is good for Corn, and with Manure will produce fine Tobacco. There is also belonging to the above mentioned Tract one Hundred Acres of Marsh, lying opposite, on the other Side the River, which is very convenient for getting Hay, &c. Any Person inclinable to purchase may be shown the same, and know the Terms, by applying to JOHN MEREDITH.

Who has also for Sale another Plantation in *King & Queen* County, just below *West Point*, known by the Name of *Gough's Point*, containing two Hundred Acres, adjoining the Land of Mr. *Samuel Meredith*, on which is a good Deal of Marsh that with little Expense might be made a valuable Meadow. The Land is well timbered, but no Improvements on it.

I have also three LOTS in *West Point* for Sale, whereon is a neat little Dwellinghouse with two Rooms on a Floor, and an old Kitchen. The above mentioned Land will be sold together, or in separate Tracts, as may best suit the Purchasers. Tf

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